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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Balschmidt et al.

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Examiner: Liu, Samuel W.

For: Use of Dimethyl Sulfone as Isotonicity Agent

**AMENDMENT / RESPONSE**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 24, 2007, having a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months set to expire July 24, 2007, subject to extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). A petition for a two (2) month extension of time to increase the period for reply from July 24, 2007, to September 24, 2007, is enclosed herewith to permit timely filing of this Amendment/Response enclosed herewith.

The examiner states in the Office Action Summary that claims numbered 1, 3-11 and 13-23 are pending in the application, and claims numbered 1, 3-11 and 13-23 are rejected.

Claims numbered 1, 3-11 and 13-23 are amended herein. Following entry of this amendment, claims numbered 1, 3-11, and 13-23 are pending in the present application.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, Applicant submits a complete listing of all of the claims for this pending application, which will replace any previous version.